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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**April, 2010**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases\* submitted to the laboratories this month.....929  
Number of items\* contained in these cases.....1908

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month..... 1599  
Number of items analyzed this month.....2749

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 8309  
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 161 days  
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed..... 215

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	969	12%
16-30 days old	815	10%
31-50 days old	797	10%
Greater than 50 days	5728	69%
TOTAL	8309	100%

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	123	4%
16-30 days	142	5%
31-50 days	544	20%
Greater than 50 days	1940	71%
TOTAL	2749	100%

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	427
Cocaine	555
Heroin	384
Others	1383
TOTAL	2749

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	8
Cocaine	29
Oxycodone	31
TOTAL	68

**Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	7329
Items Analyzed	9396